

LET'S SEE—Is "Kansas day" a political or patriotic event in Kansas?

The Topeka State Journal.

WEATHER forecast for Kansas: Uncertain tonight and Tuesday; colder tonight and much colder Tuesday; fresh to strong northerly winds.

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THOUSANDS FLEE FROM HOMES IN ILL. FLOOD

Boats Rescue Hundreds From Roofs of Houses.
Illinois River Still Rising—Others Out of Banks.
ICE CARRIES OUT BIG DAM
Cold Snap Now Added to Coast Traffic Troubles.
Floods, Snows, Landslides—68 Below in Alaska.

Peoria, Ill., Jan. 24.—With the Illinois river still rising thousands of residents along the lowlands today were fleeing to safety. Hundreds have been rescued from their homes by boats. In many places dikes have broken and valuable farm land is inundated. Reports from points up and down the Illinois indicate enormous damage to farm property and livestock. Scores of dead cattle and horses are to be seen floating down stream. Early this morning water began pouring into the plant of the Central Illinois Light company. Interruption of light service is feared unless the rise is soon checked. Hundreds of cabin boats, along with the river have broken from their moorings and either sunk or floated away.

From Lewistown, reports come that the countryside around that town is flooded. The Spoon river at Lewistown is reported out of its banks, covering nearly roadways and farm property to a depth of four or five feet. The stage of the water is at the highest point on record. Railroad traffic is said to have been entirely discontinued out of Lewistown.

Le Claire Dam Out.
Davenport, Iowa, Jan. 24.—A section of the retaining wall of the government dam at Le Claire was washed out by the ice during the night and today the area within the wall is flooded. One of the government dredges is submerged. The loss will be many thousands of dollars as the water covering many acres of ground will have to be pumped out again after the heavy rain today. A preliminary step towards building a canal over the Le Claire rapids is an aid to navigation. The stage of the river at Davenport has been approaching the danger point, being 12.4 feet this morning. No rise was reported over night and it is thought that the crest has been reached.

Grief for Coast Railroads.
San Francisco, Jan. 24.—Flood and weather conditions throughout the Pacific coast today impeded railroad traffic seriously. Heavy snowfall, snow and landslides and washouts caused delays on state and transcontinental lines.

Yuma Flood Terrific.
Refugee Flooded Six Hours on House, Tells of Disaster.
Yuma, Ariz., Jan. 24.—First hand reports of probable loss of life and great property damage on the California side of the Colorado river began arriving here through refugees today. The town is crowded with refugees. John Seddon, the first man in said his house in the Bard Island reservation of the Yuma irrigation project, was washed away.

DEAN WATERS HERE
R. S. A. C. President to Address Cathedral Club Tonight.

Dean Henry J. Waters of the Kansas State Agricultural college will address the Cathedral club of Grace cathedral at their annual dinner this evening at 6 o'clock.

GOING TO SHOOT AT CHICKEN; KILLS SELF
Galesburg, Ill., Jan. 24.—While trying to shoot a chicken for his Sunday dinner yesterday, Joseph Reed, 55 years old, a wealthy farmer, was killed by the explosion of the shotgun.

U. P. President While Skating Cracks Cranium

Omaha, Jan. 24.—The condition of A. L. Mohler, president of the Union Pacific Railway company, who was injured while skating yesterday, was reported as very satisfactory early today. President Mohler had fully recovered consciousness and his physicians reported his pulse and respiration normal, and that aside from the shock and a slight concussion of the brain he had suffered no ill effects from his fall. He is expected to be out in two or three days.

BREWERS GIVE UP

Two Missouri Concerns Enter Pleas in Supreme Court.
Others Are Expected to Follow in a Short Time.
ORDER OF OUSTER IS ISSUED
In the Case of the Syndicate Bottling Company.

Kansas City Breweries Company Will Pay \$1,000 Fine.
Missouri brewers this afternoon gave up their fight to do business in Kansas and two of the six concerns recently proceeded against by S. M. Brewster, attorney general, entered pleas before the supreme court. Other brewers are expected to follow this action. Companies which surrendered this afternoon were the Syndicate Beer Bottling company and the Kansas City Breweries company, both of Kansas City.

The culmination of the fight between the state and brewers came this afternoon when attorneys for two defendant companies went to the attorney general's office and stated that they would accept the order of ouster. The case of the Syndicate Beer Bottling company, a complete order of ouster is issued. The order prohibits the company doing business in Kansas or sending its trucks or trucks into this state for the purpose of delivering intoxicating liquor. Several weeks ago the attorney general brought out an order against the company for the purpose of blocking the delivery of liquor on the Kansas side by seasons and trucks owned by the defendant company. The order issued by the supreme court in the case of the beer bottling company is a perpetual order of ouster.

Fine of \$1,000.
With the plea of guilty by the Kansas City Breweries company, a fine of \$1,000 was carried. Recently the supreme court issued a contempt citation against the company for violation of an order in the brewery ouster suit. The company had argued a recent petition by Brewster that the company had violated the court's order and was engaged in the delivery of intoxicating liquor in violation of the original order. The plea of guilty in this case means that the brewery is accepting the fine and the court's order. A fine of \$1,000 will also be paid. Both companies also agree to pay all costs of the case. These amounts to several hundred dollars. One bill is for \$300 for the feeding of several teams owned by the brewery attorney. These costs were entered when the court issued an order against the defendant companies several weeks ago. Winfield Freeman, receiver for the companies, must also be paid.

T. A. Pollock, of Kansas City, representing the breweries, was called before the attorney general today in the settlement of the case. According to reports received at the state house, Dick Brothers company and other wholesale liquor concerns will probably enter pleas in the ouster contempt case in a few days. The plea today are accepted as a surrender of the fight by the brewers.

EMPEROR ILL AGAIN

Malady of Aged Franz Joseph of Austria Reaches Acute Stage.
Paris, Jan. 24.—Press dispatches from Rome say that considerable anxiety is felt in Vienna in consequence of the illness of Emperor Franz Joseph, whose chronic bronchitis has assumed an acute form. They add he is confined to his bed, that all court receptions have been suspended and that he is not even receiving the military authorities. He is being nursed by the Archduchess Zita, wife of the heir to the throne, according to the same dispatches.

Jap Girls Who Planted Sacred Rice Are Lucky

Tokyo, Jan. 24.—The Japanese government has granted the four rice used during the recent coronation of Emperor Yoshihito have received countless offers of marriage from all parts of the empire and the young men who tended the sacred rice have been invited by many families to become adopted sons. Participation in the holy rites of the coronation is supposed to be accompanied by many blessings and the several women and men who had to do with the sacred rice are very greatly respected. Many of the girls have already been wedded.

KANSAS CANNOT SEE GREATEST FEATURE FILM

State Censors and Appeal Board Kill Big Movie.
"Birth of Nation" Given a Double Blow Here Today.
MANAGEMENT WILL FIGHT
Owners of Great Drama Will Go to Courts Soon.
Ross Said He Didn't Like It, So Killed It Himself.

The state appeal board—Governor Capper, S. M. Brewster, attorney general, and J. T. Botkin, secretary of state—this afternoon affirmed the decision of the picture censorship board and barred the display of the "Birth of a Nation" film. H. A. Sherman, manager of the film company, announced that the case would be taken to the courts.

Action by the appeal board was taken in secret conference following a hearing. After the decision was announced, Sherman stated that an effort would be made to show the picture regardless of adverse action. He said that the picture would be brought to Topeka February 21 and injunction proceedings filed to block state interference.

SPEAK ON KANSAS

Frank P. MacLennan of Topeka at Los Angeles.
On Kansas Day Program There With Governor Johnson.
Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 24.—Frank P. MacLennan, owner and publisher of the Topeka State Journal of Topeka, Kan., has been invited to speak before the Kansas Day club of California at their banquet in Los Angeles, January 29. Several hundred former Kansans will attend the banquet and MacLennan will be the principal attraction.

Requests that the president and Mrs. Wilson be entertained privately while in Topeka have resulted in plans for the president's entertainment at the home of Governor Johnson. A select party of prominent Kansans will attend the luncheon.

IT IS HER CHANCE

Chicago Girl Tries to Take Advantage of Leap Year.
Seeks to Get a Line on Eligible Men in Kansas.

Looking for a housekeeper—one who admits she is only twenty and pretty?
W. O. Rigby, postmaster, can put you next. He has a letter from a Chicago girl, Eleanor Smith, who is interested in Kansas. It is in his hands now. She expresses a willingness to become interested later in a Kansas town. The letter is in his hands now. She expresses a willingness to become interested later in a Kansas town. The letter is in his hands now. She expresses a willingness to become interested later in a Kansas town.

SENTENCED TO DIE, PRISONER ESCAPES

Greensburg, Pa., Jan. 24.—Charles Donaldson, negro, held in the county jail here under sentence of death for murder, attacked his guard early today, and being injured by the guard, he then took the guard's keys and opened a door escaped with two other prisoners.

Not Sensitive About Her Age Was Only 150

Bakersfield, Cal., Jan. 24.—Mary Tecuyas, an Indian squaw said to be 150 years old, died from a heart ailment, according to the report issued by the authorities following an inquest here today. She was the oldest member of an almost extinct tribe known as the Telons living in a canyon near here. The tribe is said to include between fifty and twenty persons more than 100 years old.

MRS. WILSON, TOO

The President Will Be Accompanied by His Bride.
More Popularity Added to His Visit to Topeka.
WILL BE HERE FIVE HOURS
The Party Will Be Entertained by Governor Capper.
Thousands of Visitors From Over the State Expected.

Kansas will receive a formal introduction to the first lady of the land when President Woodrow Wilson comes to Topeka Wednesday, February 2. Official announcements from Washington state that Mrs. Wilson will accompany the president on his western speaking trip. In Topeka the president's party will probably be entertained at a luncheon at the home of Governor Capper.

With the news that Mrs. Woodrow Wilson is coming to Kansas, a social feature was today added to the state-wide political concern in the visit of the president. The president's party will spend five hours in Topeka and Kansas society will make the most of the opportunity to meet the president's bride in those few hours.

DIG OUT VICTIMS

300 Men Seek More Bodies in Avalanche Wreck.
Death List of Train Disaster Now Has Eight Dead.
Seattle, Jan. 24.—Three hundred men continued digging today in the huge pile of snow and debris which Monday morning wrecked two cars of the westbound Cascade limited train. The men are seeking the bodies of Fern Waite and her husband, Lyons, Wash., Ralph Batterman of Wenatchee, Wash., and an unidentified passenger. Eight persons now are believed to have lost their lives in the accident.

BREAK "HEAT" RECORD

Temperature Reached 60 in Topeka This Afternoon.
The temperature record for this date was shattered this afternoon when the forecast calls for 60 degrees at 2:40 o'clock. The previous high mark was 58 degrees, established in 1902.

VILLA BOBS UP

Has Seized Hearst Ranch for Headquarters.
Slaughters Cattle, Requisitions Horses for Troops.
El Paso, Jan. 24.—Arrivals from Madero, Chihuahua, today reported General Francisco Villa was in Santa Anna on the Babicora ranch, the Hearst property, making preparation for an extensive campaign. It was said that he had gathered 1,000 men and had taken five hundred colts from the Babicora ranch for mounts, and was killing 250 head of cattle daily and drying the flesh for provisions.

GERMANS FIRE AT WOODEN EFFIGY OF CHARLIE CHAPLIN

Northern France, Jan. 24.—A wooden effigy of Charlie Chaplin, looted from the front of a picture show in Yorkshire and brought to France is today hoisted up over one of the trenches to the fury of the Germans who, suspecting Charlie to be a bombardier, fired at it with machine guns. One bombardier landed two hours and resulted in little material damage.

INCOME TAX IS UPHELD BY U. S. SUPREME COURT

Fifty-Year Fight on Federal Tax Closes.
Imposed First During Civil War, Then Lapsed.
FIVE CASES ARE AT ISSUE
In Each Case U. S. Won in the Lower Court.
Law Adopted as 16th Amendment on March 1, 1913.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The supreme court today upheld the constitutionality of the income tax law. Five separate suits to test the constitutionality of the new income tax were brought in the federal courts throughout the country soon after the law became effective and all found their way to the supreme court of the United States soon after.

For nearly fifty years the fight for and against a federal income tax has been somewhere in the courts. Attacks Not Serious Then. The income tax imposed during the Civil war and the years immediately following were not attacked with the seriousness of later cases. It was not until the Cleveland administration placed an income tax in the Wilson tariff act that the fight became serious.

AUSTRIAN NET SET MEETING OF NOTE SENT TO BELOIT

Fleeing Montenegrins in Grave Danger of Capture.
Invaders Spring Coup to Cut Off Retreat.
PLAN LAST STAND AT SCUTARI
Little Nation's Civilians Now Fear Austro Vengeance.
Entente Powers Ready to Make Greece Big Loan.

BY HENRY WOOD.
Rome, Jan. 24.—The remnants of the Montenegrin army are today in grave danger of capture. Austrian troops, having occupied the Montenegrin seaport of Dulcigno, are moving eastward to cut off the Montenegrin retreat to the Adriatic near Scutari. The situation of General Martinovic's forces is most critical.

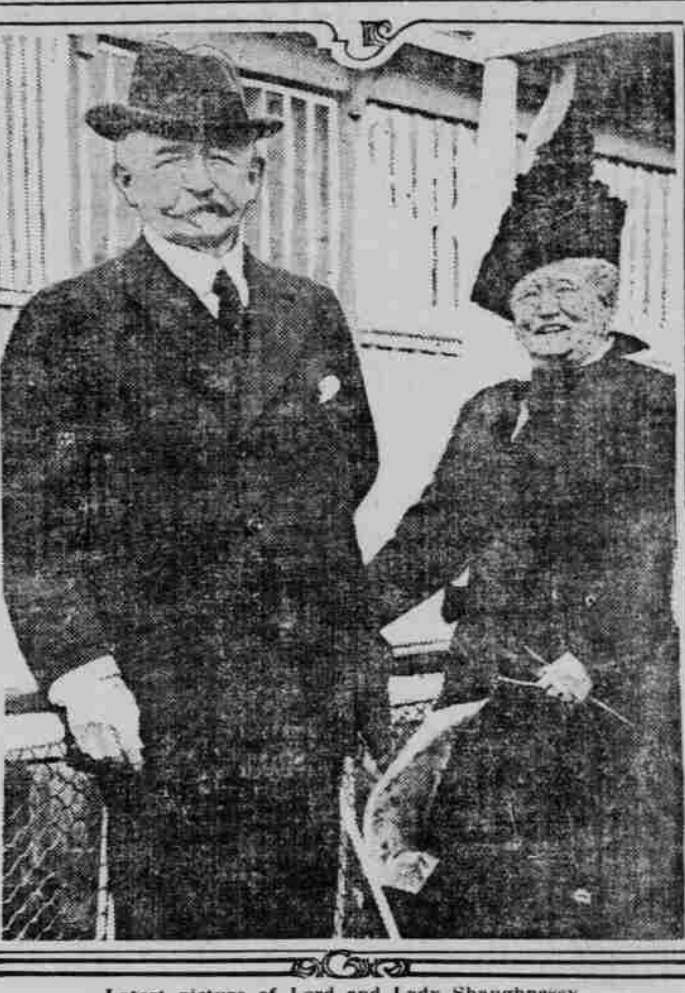
POOR OLD ST. LOUIS

Missouri City is Certainly Sore at Little Topeka.
President Wilson Passed Them Up for Kansas Capital?
My! My! Ach Louie! And it's awful, yet! St. Louis town is wroth. In addition to the general peevish disposition that is apparent in the town, reports from the town indicate that even the beer wagons are draped in mourning. It is all because President Wilson cut St. Louis off his itinerary to come to Topeka. Ach himmel! Just think. The president passed the oasis of the West to come to Topeka, the territory. St. Louis can't understand.

RUSSIAN DESTROYERS SINK 40 TURK SHIPS

Petrograd, Jan. 24.—Russian torpedo boats sank 40 Turkish ships and Turkish sailing vessels and destroyed seven at their docks in a raid along the Anatolian coast, the minister of marines announced today.

SHAUGHNESSY'S FATHER WAS HUMBLE COP; BUT HE'S A LORD OF THE BRITISH REALM



Latest picture of Lord and Lady Shaughnessy. On the first of this month Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific Railroad and one of Canada's most distinguished citizens, was created an English lord, with a vote in parliament. Lord Shaughnessy's father was a humble Irish policeman of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Lady Shaughnessy before her marriage was Miss Elizabeth Nagle, also a native of Milwaukee.

POWDER FACTORY BLOWS-UP KILLS 15

Kelker Blower Company Plant Scene of Blast.
Three-Story Building Crumples When Boiler Explodes.
SCHOOL CHILDREN IN PANIC
Building They Occupied Nearly Partially Wrecked.
Two Score Workmen Buried: Fire Breaks Out.

Paffa, Jan. 24.—Fifteen workmen were killed and as many more probably injured in an explosion at the plant of the Kelker Blower company in Harrison street here this afternoon.

Without warning the boiler in the plant exploded with terrific force and the three-story building crumpled to the ground burying the two score workmen in its ruins. Few escaped injured and many entered into the work of rescuing their less fortunate comrades.

THIELMA GRANT IS COMMITTED TO INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

Because she felt the need of a vacation and took it at a very inopportune time for county officials, Thelma Grant, 13, has been committed to the industrial school at Beloit, Wis.

FLEEING KING IN ROME

Rome, Jan. 24.—King Nicholas of Montenegro, accompanied by his son, Prince Alexander, and his daughter, Princess Elena, arrived in Rome today from Brindisi, in the royal train, which had been put at his disposal to emphasize the Italian government's Italian government in wishing to do him honor.